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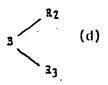
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(57) Abstract

Peptides which act as inhibitors or substrates of thrombin are derived from the formula: D-Phe-Pro-Arg or its analogues, wherein Phe is substituted by (a), wherein Ar1 and Ar2 are the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, naphthyl, thionaphthyl, indolyl and saturated groups corresponding to these, optionally substituted by up to three groups selected from C1-C3 alkyl and C1-C3 alkoxy, L1 and L2 are the same of different and are selected from the group consisting of CH2, CH2-CH2, O-CH2, S-CH2, Ar-L taken together optionally means H, diphenyl-methyl, fluorenyl or saturated groups corresponding to these, but one of the Ar-L cannot be H when the other Ar-L means H or benzyl, and Arg may be substituted by an amino acid of formula (b), wherein Y = [CH2]n-Q, (c), where Q = H, amino, amidino, imidazole, guanidino or isothioureido and n = 1-5, preferably 3-5, or C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>9</sub> alkyl and C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> aryl or alkylaryl optionally substituted by up to three groups selected from hydroxy and C1-C4 alkoxy; Z = CN, COR1. (d) or (e), where R1 = H, OH. CH2Cl, CH2-C'12-CO-pip, CF2-CF2-CO-pip, (f), (g), CH2-CH2-CO-Pro-NHEt, CF2-CF2-CO-Pro-NHEt or a chromophoric group e.g. pNA, MCA, R2 and R3 are the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of OH, OR6 and NR6R7, or R2 and R3 taken together represent the residue of a diol; where R6 and R7, which are the same or different, are C1-C10 alkyl, phenyl or C6-C10 arylalkyl, R4 and R5 are the same or different and are selected from R2, R3, Gly-pip, Ala-pip or Gly-Pro-NHEt.

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# INHIBITORS AND SUBSTRATES OF THROMBIN

This invention relates to thrombin inhibitors and substrates.

Thrombin, the last enzyme in the coagulation system, cleaves soluble fibrinogen to fibrin, which is then crosslinked and forms an insoluble gel forming the natrix for a thrombus. When a vessel is damaged, the above process is necessary to stop bleeding. Under normal circumstances there is no measurable amount of thrombin present in plasma. Increase of the thrombin concentration can result in formation of clots, which can lead to thromboembolic disease, one of the most common serious medical problems of our time.

Thrombin contributes to haenostatic control by means of several biological reactions. In addition to its primary function, the conversion of fibrinogen to fibrin, thrombin activates Factor XIII, which is responsible for the crosslinking of fibrin. Thrombin also acts by means of a positive feedback mechanism involving the activation of Factors V and VIII, which both are necessary for its own formation from prothrombin. Thrombin has another essential role: its binding to platelets initiates platelet release and aggregation which is responsible for primary haemostasis.

Fibrinolysis is the process which causes an enzymatic dissolution of fibrinogen and fibrin clots. Plasma contains a protein, plasminogen, which under the influence of various activators is converted to plasmin, a proteolytic enzyme, the activity of which resembles that of fibrin. Plasmin breaks down fibrin to fibrin degradation products.

Under normal conditions, the fibrinolysis system is in balance with the coagulation system. Small thrombi formed in the blood stream can be dissolved enzymatically and the circulation through the vessels can be restored by the

activation of the fibrinolytic system in the body. If the fibrinolytic activity is too high, it may cause or prolong bleeding and if it is too los compared to the activity of the congulation system, there is a risk of thrombosis.

The reactions of thrombin are further controlled by natural inhibitors in plasma. The most important of these are antithrombin III and heparin. These two compounds have been isolated and are therapeutically and prophylactically used in conditions where there is an imbalance in the haemostatic mechanisms with risk for prothrembin activation.

Mainly two types of therapeutic agents are used for the prevention of thrombosis. The heparins act by accelerating the inhibition of thrombin by antithrombin III. Coumarin derivatives, the oral anticoagulants, e.g. Warfarin, prevent the generation of thrombin by blocking the post-translational vitamin K-dependent Y-carboxylation in the synthesis of prothrombin. Neither Heparin nor Warfarin are ideal. Heparin must be given parenterally and as it functions as a cofactor to antithrombin III it has no effect without this inhibitor. The effect of Warfarin develops very slowly and individual doses must be adjusted by frequent tests. None of these anticoagulants is specific for thrombin, they also inhibit other serine proteases and both of them may cause bleeding if the doses are not correctly balanced.

Thus, direct acting, specific thrombin inhibitors, having oral activity would be useful alternatives to the above anticoagulants. Much research in this area has resulted in the synthesis of different kinds of inhibitors of thrombin.

substrate of thrombin, several good short peptide su strates for thrombin have been synthesized. The very first developed sequence with affinity for the active site of thrombin was Phe-Val-Arg [1] which mimics the fibrinogensequence preceding the bond split by thrombin. This sequence has later been

improved to give D-Phe-Pro-Arg and D-Phe-Pip-Arg which have been used in chromogenic substrates, e.g. D-Phe-Pro-Arg-pNA and D-Phe-Pip-Arg-pNA[1] and in inhibitors of thrombin, e.g. the peptide aldehyde D-Phe-Pro-Arg-H [2], the irreversible inhibitor D-Phe-Pro-Arg-CH2Cl [3], inhibitors as ketomethylene bond e.g. D-Phe-Pro-Arg-k-Gly-piperidide [4] and in the recently synthesized peptide boronic acid inhibitors e.g. 2-D-Phe-Pro-boroArg [5] and the nitrile: Bou-D-Phe-Pro-ArgCN [6].

Thus, D-Phe-Pro-Arg has been considered the best sequence for about 15 years, and it has been shown to have very good affinity for the active site of thrombin, in substrates (Km around  $10^{-6}$ M) as well as in inhibitors (Ki  $10^{-7}$ M to  $10^{-9}$ M).

We have now found that by exchanging Phe, in the D-Phe-Pro-Arg sequence, for some unnatural, aromatic amino acids, with a specified structure, and by using these new sequences to construct novel substrates and inhibitors we obtained significantly improved substrate and inhibitor properties. The new substrates show better kinetic constants (Km and kcat) and the inhibitors better inhibition constant (Ki).

Reduction of blood pressure is a side effect observed in many of the previous thrombin inhibitors containing Arg or Arg analogues like Gpa and Apa [7]. This side effect which in some compounds can be disturbingly serious is believed to depend on the positively charged guanidino or amidino group of the side chain of Arg or its analogues. Surprisingly, this side effect of inhibitors in the present application is markedly reduced even when the inhibitors have an Arg or Arg analogue.

We have also surprisingly found that by changing the side chain to a non-basic alkyl or alkylaryl group of a certain size, the affinity for thrombin is still very good although the affinity for other serine processes is greatly reduced, i.e. these inhibitors/substrates are more specific for thrombin than corresponding compounds containing Arg. With this non-basic side chain the

blood pressure lowering side effect is greatly reduced.

The present invention provides thrombin inhibitors and substrates derived from D-Phe-Pro-Arg or its analogues wherein Phe is substituted by H2N-C-COOH L: L2 | L2 | Arg Arg

and Arg may be substituted by H2N-CH-COOH.

Suitably, the inhibitors/substrates are of formula I, in which

X = H, CH3 or an N-protecting group, e.g. Ac, Bz,Cbz,Boc;

 $Y = \{CH_2\}_{n} - Q$ ,  $CH_2 \longrightarrow Q$  where Q = H, amino, amidino, imidazole, quanidino or isothioureido and n = 1-5, preferably 3-5, or  $C_3 - C_9$  alkyl and  $C_5 - C_{10}$  aryl or alkylaryl optionally substituted by up to three groups selected from hydroxy and  $C_1 - C_4$  alkoxy;

 $z = cn, cox_1, B$ R2

or  $R_3$ or  $R_4$ where

 $R_1 = H$ , CH,  $CH_2C1$ ,  $CH_2-CH_2-CO-pip$ ,  $CF_2-CF_2-CO-pip$ ,  $CH_2-CH-CO-pip$ ,  $CF_3$ 

CH2-CH2-CO-Pro-NHLt, CF2-CF2-CO-Pro-NHEt or a chromophoric group e.g. pNA, MCA,

 $R_2$  and  $R_3$  may be the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of OH, OR6 and NR6R7, or  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  taken together represent the residue of a diol; where  $R_6$  and  $R_7$ , which may be the same or different, are  $C_1$ - $C_{10}$  alkyl, phenyl or  $C_6$ - $C_{10}$  arylalkyl,

 $R_4$  and  $R_5$  may be the same or different and are selected from  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ . Gly-pip, Ala-pip or Gly-Pro-NHEt;

Ar1-L1 C(NH2)-COOH where

Ari and Arz may be the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, maphthyl, thionaphthyl, incolyl and saturated groups corresponding to these, optionally substituted by up to three groups selected from  $C_1$ - $C_2$  alkyl and  $C_1$ - $C_3$  alkoxy,

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 $L_1$  and  $L_2$  may be the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of CH2, CH2-CH2, O-CH2, S-CH2,

A:-L taken together may mean H, diphenyl-methyl, fluoronyl or saturated groups corresponding to these, but one of the Ar-L cannot be H when the other Ar-L means H or benzyl;

derivatives, where R8 = CH2, CH2-CH2, S-CH2, S-C(CH3)2 or CH2-CH2-CH2.

Preferably the Phe substitute is Dpa, Nal or Dba and preferable Arg substitute includes Irg, Gpa, Apa and non-basic amino acids such as Pgl, Mbg, Chg.

Examples of compounds which may be preferably used in the invention include:

Ac-D-BNal-Pro-boroArg pinanediol ester

Z-D-Dpa-Prc-borolrg pinanediol ester

Z-D-Dpa-Pro-boroPgl pinacol ester

Ac-D-BNal-Pro-boroMbg pinanediol escer

CH3-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg-H

Boc-D-Dpa-Pro-Gpa-H

CH3-D-Dpa-Thi-Mbg-H

H-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg-k-Gly-pip

Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg-CH<sub>2</sub>C1

Boc-D-Dpa-Pro-ArgCN

H-Dpa-Pro-Arg<sup>12</sup> (OPh)<sub>2</sub>

H-D-6Nal-Pro-Pg1<sup>P</sup> (OPh)-Gly-pip

H-D-Dpa-Fip-Arg=pNA

H-D-6Nal-Pro-Chg-pNA

Further examples of compounds which may be preferably used in the invention are those listed in Examples 10 to 22 below.

Inhibition data for some of the new compounds are shown in Tables 1-7. The advantages of replacing Phe by amino acids according to the invention are clearly shown in the Ki values, which are generally 3 to 10 times better for the new compounds, as well as in the prolongation of the thrombin time. The importance of the D-form of the N-terminal amino acid is also evident from Table 1. The drastic reduction of the blood pressure lowering side-effect with compounds according to the invention is shown in Table 2.

TAB	LE 1 - In-vitipassays		<b>Κ1(μΜ)</b>	TT(µM)	APTT(µM)
4 5 7 8 9 14 54	D-Phe-Pro-Gpa-kGly-Pi D,L-Dpa-Pro-Argk-Gly- D-Dpa-Prc-Argk-Gly-Pi L.Dpa-Pro-Argk-Gly-Pi D-Fgl-Pro-Argk-Gly-P D,L-K-Nal-Pro-Argk-Gl D,L-B-Nal-Pro-Argk-Gl D-S-Nal-Pro-Argk-Gly-	Pip p p ip y-Pip y-Pip	1.3 0.6 0.2 1.7 13.5 11.6 2.87	4.9 0.65 7.5 50.0 90.0 5.3	45.9 8.9 100.0
TAE	<u>NLE 2</u> - In-vitroassay	Ki(μM)	TT(µM)*	APTT(μM)	Blood pressure % of normal
33 48 53	Boc-D-Phe-Pro-Arg-H Boc-D, L-Dpa-Pro-Arg-H Boc-D, L-Dpa-Pro-Gpa-H Z-D-Phe-Pro-Pgl-H Z-D, L-Dpa-Pro-Pgl-H Boc-D-Phe-Pro-His-H	0.1 0.03 0.03 4.66 0.071 0.726	5 3 86.0 3.1	34.0	40** 100** nd nd nd 100***

#### TABLE 3

		 K1 (uM)
Boc-D-Phe-Pro	ArgCN	0.8
Boc-D, L-Dpa	- " -	0.05

The concentration needed to dcuble the plasma thrombin time

\*\* 4mg/Kg given i.v. to anaesthetized cats

\*\*\* 1mg/Kg given i.v. bolus to anaesthetized New Zealand white
 rabbits, 2 per point
ND = Not determined.

TAB	UE 4 - In-vitroassay	Ki(μM)	TT(;:M)	
15	Boc-D, L-Dpa-Pro-PglP(OH)2	59.0		
16	D, L-Dpa-Pro-PglP(OH)2	0.22	3	
17	<b>5</b> - 2	8.46		
18	D-Dpa-Pro-Pgl <sup>P</sup> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	15.1		
19	<b>7</b> –	>31.0		
20	D-Phe-Pro-Pgl (OPh)2	0.10	9 ·	
21	D-Phe-Pro-Pgl <sup>P</sup> (OH),	>98.0		
23	D-Dpa-Pro-Pg1P(OPh)2	0.48	}	
32	H-D-Dpa-Pro-Mpg (OPh)2	0.00	9.1	L
40	H-D-Phe-Pro-Mpg <sup>P</sup> (OPh) <sub>2</sub>	0.0188		
	<b>-</b>			
TAE	BLE 5 - In-vitroassays	Ki(pM)*	TT(μM)	APTT(µM)
12	Z-D-Dpa-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin	368.0	0.84	1.19
26	Z-D-B-Nal-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin	325.0	0.15	0.216
36	Z-D-Fgl-Pro-BoroIrg-OFin	1750.0	0.643	1.23
37	Ac-D-Dpa-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin	2320.0		0.156
38	Z-L-Dpa-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin	4180.0	0.26	0.239
46	Z-D-Cha-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin	1490.0	0.113	0.123
*11	nhibitor Pre-Incubated for 30	min with	Thrombin.	
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TAI	BLE 6 - In-vitroassays	Ki(nM)	TT(µM)	APTT(µM)
22	Z-D-Phe-Pro-BoroMbg-OPin	7.0	0.56	4.11
41		12.8	0.329	2.52
10		25.0	3.4	18.2
11		19.0	2.0	2.34
43	Z-D-Phe-Pro-BoroOct-OPinac	22.5	3.86	•
51	Z-D-Dpa-Pro-BoroMpg-OPin	3.4	0.629	1.96
59	Z-D-Phe-Pro-BoroMbg-OPin	7.43	1.12	4.0
TA	BLE 7 - In-vitroassay	Km(μM)	•	
· · .·	H-D-Phe-Pip-Arg-pNA	10.0		
34		6.9		
35		9.1		

Those compounds of the invention which are thrombin inhibitors have anti-thrombogenic properties and may be employed for indications when an anti-thrombogenic agent is indicated. Generally, these compounds may be administered orally or parenterally to a host to obtain an anti-thrombogenic effect. In the case of larger mammals such as humans, the compounds may be Luministered alone or in combination with pharmaceutical carrier or diluent at a dose of from 0.02 to 15 mg/Kg of body weight and preferably 1-10 mg/Kg to obtain the anti-thromoogenic effect, and may be given as single dose or in divided doses or as a sustained release formulation. When an extracorporeal blood loop is to be established for a patient, 0.1-lmg/Kg may be administered intravenously. For use with whole blood from 1-10mg per litre may be provided to prevent coagulation. Pharmaceutical diluents are well known and include sugars, starches and water which may be used to make tablets, capsules, injectable solutions and the like. The compounds of the invention may be added to blood for the purpose of preventing coagulation of the blood in blood collecting or distribution containers, tubing or implantable apparatus which comes in contact with blood.

The advantages of the compounds of the invention include oral activity, rapid caset of activity and low toxicity. In addition, these compounds may have special utility in the treatment of individuals who are hypersensitive to compounds such as heparin.

In the following examples, the symbols have the following meanings:

Aa	2	amino	acid

Ac = acetyl

Boc = t-butyloxycarbonyl

Bu = butyl

Bzl = benzyl

DCC = dicyclohexylcarbodiimide

DIEA = diisopropylethylamine

DMAP	• .	4-dimethylaminopyridine
ZtOAc	=	er'ml acetate
EtOH	=	ethylalcohol
HOSu		N-nydroxy succinimide
MCA	=	4-cochyl-coumaryl-7-amide
МеОН		methylalcohol
Mtr		4-methoxy-2,3,6-trimethylbenzenesulphonyl
NMR	=	nuclear magnetic resonance
NP	=	p-nicrophenyl
PinOH	=	pinanediol
PfpOH		pencafluorophenol
pip	=	piperidide
pNA	*	p-nitrosnilide
TLC	<b>=</b> .	thin layer chromatography
THE	<b>.</b>	tetrahydrofuran
TEA	×	criechylamine
WSC	. =	water soluble carbodiimide
Z	= ,	Cbz=benzyloxycarbonyl
Apa	=	amidinophenylalanine
Chg	=	cyclohexylglycine
Dpa	22	3,3-diphenylalanine
Gpa	<b>=</b> .	guanidinophenylalanine
Irg	=	isotriouronium analogue of Arg
ArgCN	=	Arg, where COOH is repliced by CN
Mbg	=	2-(2-methylbutyl) glycine
Nal	=	naphthylalanine
Pgl	= .	pentylglycine
Thi	.=	thiazolidinecarboxylic acid

boroAa = boronic acid analogue of Aa

phospho c acid analogue of Aa

-k- = amide bond replaced by CO-CH2

The following non-limiting examples illustrate the preparation of the compounds in this invention.

The synthesis of some of the different inhibitor types are outlined in Schemes 1 to 8 and the detailed descriptions are given in the examples below.

#### HPLC

The following conditions were adopted for the analysis of most of the synthetic compounds on reversed-phase HPLC (RP-HPLC): column; SuperPac Pep-S (4x250mm), eluant; A = water containing 0.1% TFA, B = acetonitrile containing 0.1% TFA, gradient; 50% to 90% B in A in 25 min, flow rate; 1.0ml/min, detection; UV absorbance at 210 mm.

#### TLC

Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out on the following compounds using precoated silica plates (Merck, F254) in the following systems: A, Chloroform-ethyl acetate (2:1); B, chloroform-methanol-acetic acid (20:4:1); C, n-butanol-acetic acid-ethyl acetate-water (1:1:1:1); D, chloroform-methanol (9:1); E, pyridin-ethyl acetate-acetic acid-water (5:5:1:3); F, chloroform-methanol-ammonia (1M) (60:35:5). The spots were visualized by ninhydrin and chlorine-dicarboxidine spray reagents (C.M. Swahn and J. Gyllander, J. Chromatogr. (1979) 170, 292:

#### NMR spectra

Magnetic resonance spectra were recorded at 250 Piz using a Bruker instrument.

# EXAMPLES

## 1. Synthesis of Dpa, Z-Boc-Dpa-Pro and Z-Doa-Pro Arg (Cf. Scheme 1)

#### (a) DL-Dpa.HC1

To a solution of potassium tertiary butoxide (6.75g, 0.06 mol) in tertiary butanol (350ml) was added, at room temperature under argon, ethyl acetamido cyanoaetite (10g, 0.059 mol). When the solution hid become clear bromodiphenyl methane (14.55g, 0.059 mol) was added. The mixture was stirred at 20°C for 24h, then evaporated under reduced pressure. The solid residue was treated with ethyl acetate (500ml) and water (175ml). The organic phase was dried (Na2SO4) and concentrated to give yellow crystals. The crystals were washed repeatedly with ether and dried to give ethyl 2-diphenylmethylacetamido cyanoacetate (11.61g, 58%, m.p. 181-185°C). The ester (11.61g, 34.4 mol) was mixed with hydrochloric acid (20%) and refluxed for 30h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool and the crystals were collected, washed (ether), and dried to give EC1.0,L-Dpa (7.82g, 81.8%).

#### (b) Z-DL-Dpa

To a solution of D,L-Dpa.HCl (0.56g, 0.0021 mol) in NaOH (2N, 5ml), cooled to 0°C and vigorously stirred was added, dropwise, benzyl chloroformate (0.39g, 0.33ml, 0.0023mol). The reaction mixture was kept at pH10 and at 5°C to 10°C. The solution was warmed to room temperature and stirred vigorously for lh. The solution was washed with ether (4 times) and acidified to pH3 with HCl (5N). The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane and the organic phase dried and concentrated to give Z-DL-Dpa (0.73g, 97%, m.p. 214-217°C).

#### (c) Z-D, L-Dpa-ONSu

To a stirred solution of Z-D,L-Dpa (1.88g, 0.005 mol) and N-hydroxy succinimide (0.575g, 0.005 mol) in dry 1,2-dimethoxyethane (30ml) at 0°C was added dicyclohexyl carbodimide (1.03g, 0.005 mol). The mixture was maintained at 0°C for 4h. The suspension was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated to dryness to give an oil which was triturated with ether and filtered to give Z-D,L-Dpa-ONSu (2.15g, 91Z, m.p. 139-142°C).

#### (d) Z-D-Dpa-Pro and Z-L-Dpa-Pro

To a solution of pro. .e (0.78g, 0.0068mol) and NaHCO3 (0.57g, 0.0068mol) in water (8ml) was added a solution of Z-D,L-Dpa-ONSu (2.15g, 0.0045mol) in 1,2-dimethoxyethane (15ml). After 2h the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and water (5ml) was added. The solution was acidified (come. Hul) to pH2 to give white crystals (1.98g, m.p. 113-117°C). re-rystallisation from EtOAc gave as the first crop one diastereomer as a solid (0.7g, m.p. 180-183°C, FAB MS:M\*473; 1H nmr: 7.26 (15H, m. 3xPh), 5.66 (1H, d, CH), 5.23 (1H, m, CH), 4.40 (1H, d, CH), 2.03 (2E, s, CH2), 2.20 (4H, m, 2xCH<sub>2</sub>): <sup>13</sup>C nmr:172.19 (CO), 156.1 (CO), 139.17 (CO), 127-128 (Ph), 66.88 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 59.48 (CH), 55.58 (CH), 24.15 (CH<sub>2</sub>). Further crystallisation from the mother liquor gave as a second crop a mixture of diastereomers (0.43g, m.p. 126-130°C). Addition of petroleum ether (b.p. 60-80°C) gave the other isomer (0.54g, m.p. 128-131°C), FAB MS:M+473; H nmr: 7.29 (15H, m, 3Ph), 5.55 (1H, d, CH), 5.23 (1H, m, CH), 4.47 (1H, d, CH), 2.04 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.20-2.20 (4H, m, 2  $CH_2$ ); 13C:172.77 (CO), 156.13 (CO), 139.48 (CO), 126.99-128.72 (Ph), 66.90(CH<sub>2</sub>), 59.62 (CH), 55.48 (CH), 53.54 (CH), 47.44 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.94 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.58 (CH<sub>2</sub>).

# (e) Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)OPh

To a solution of Z-D-Dpa-Pro-OH (0.472g, 1mmol) and HOSu (0.115g, 1mmol) in dimethoxyethane (20ml) was added DCC (0.206g, 1mmol) with cooling over an ice water bath, the solution was then stirred at r.t. for 3h, the DCU formed was filtered off and the solution was concentrated to dryness to give an oil (0.57g). To a solution of H-Arg(Mtr)-OH (0.42g, 1.1mmol) and Et3N (0.12g, 1.1mmol) in DMF (25ml) was added a solution of Z-Dpa-Pro-OSu (0.57g) in dimethoxyethane (15ml) with cooling. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 3h. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O (20ml) and MeOH (10ml). The solution was acidified to pH2 and the MeOH was removed under reduced pressure. The solid formed was filtered off and

dried to give Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)OH (0.765g, 91%). The structure of the compound was confirmed by 1H NMR.

Fgl and Nal and their corresponding di- and tripeptides were synthesized in a manner analogous to the above procedures.

# 2. Synthesis of peptide aminophosphonic acid inhibitors (Cf. Scheme 3)

## (a) Diphenyl :- (N-benzyloxycarbonyl) aminopontanephosphonate

A mixture of triphenyl phosphite (9.3g, 30mmol), n-hexatal (4.50g, 45mmol), benzylcarpamate (4.53g, 30mmol), glacial acetic acid (5ml) was stirred for 45min. The mixture was then heated at 80-85°C for 1h and volatile by-products were removed in vacuo with heating on a boiling water bath. The oily residue was dissolved in methanol (40ml) and left for crystallization at -10°C to give 7.28g, m.p. 70-72°C, 52% yield. The structure was confirmed by proton NMR.

# (b) Diphenyl 1-aminopentanephosphonate

Diphenyl-1-(N-benzyloxycarbonyl) aminopentanephosphonate (0.93g, 2.0mmol) was dissolved in ethanol (30ml) and acetic acid (0.2ml) was added. Then 10% palladium on charcoal (100mg) was added and the mixture was hydrogenated for 4h. The catalyst was filtered off, washed with ethanol (5x5ml). After removal of the solvent an oil was obtained. The oil was vashed with water to remove acetic acid and dissolved in chloroform, dried (MgSO4), concentrated to dryness to give oily product, 0.45g, 68% yield. The structure was confirmed by proton NMR and MS.

# (c) Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Pq1P (OPh) 2

Z-D-Dpa-Pro-OH (0.11g, 0.25mmol) was classified in dry chloroform (2ml) containing Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.035ml) and cocled to -5°C. Ethyl chloroformate (0.026ml, 0.275mmol) was added and the mixture kept at -5°C for 30 min. A solution of diphenyl 1-aminopentanephosphonate (83mg, 0.25mmol) in dry chloroform (2ml) containing Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.025g, 0.25mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at r.t. for 11n. Solvent was removed in vacuo. The resulting oil was chromatographed

(CHCl3 then 2% MeOH in CHCl3) to give 123mg as crystals, 63% yield. The structure was confirmed by proton and 31p NMR.

# (d) H-D-Dpa-Pro-Pg1P (OPh) 2

Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Pg1 (OPh)2 (50mg, 0.063 mmol) was dissolved in ethanol (5ml) and acetic acid (0.01ml) was added. 10% Pd/C (25mg) was added and the mixture was hydrogenated at r.t. for 3h. The catalyst was filtered off and ethanol removed in vacuo. The resulting oil was treated with water (5ml) and chloroform (20ml). The chloroform phase was dried (MgSO4) and concentrated to dryness to give crystals, 41mg, 91% yield. The structure was confirmed by 1H and 31p NHR.

# (c) H-D-Dpa-Pro-Pg1P (OH) 2

Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Pgl<sup>P</sup> (OFh)<sub>2</sub> (100mg, 0.127mmol) was dissolved in ethanol (10ml) and acetic scid (0.1ml) was added. Then 10% Pd/C (50mg) was added and the mixture was hydrogenated at r.t. for 3h. The catalyst was filtered off, PtO<sub>2</sub> (100mg) was added and the mixture was hydrogenated at r.t. for 4h. The catalyst was filtered off, solvent was removed and the residue was treated with 20ml of water and chloroform (60ml). The organic layer was dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), concentrated to dryness to give 67mg as cyrstals, 92% as overall yield. The structure was confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>31</sup>P NMR.

# Z-D-Phe-Pro-Pg1P (OPh)?

This compound was synthesized by the above procedure in 73% yield. The structure was confirmed by  $l_{\rm H}$  and 31p NMK.

# H-D-Phe-Pro-Fg1P (OPh) 2

The compound was synthesized by the above procedure in 90% yield. The structure was confirmed by  $^{1}\mathrm{H}$  and  $^{31}\mathrm{p}$  NMR.

# H-D-Phe-Pro-Pgl P (OH)2

The compound was synthesized by the above procedure in 89% overall yield. The structure was confirmed by  $l_{\rm H}$  and 31p NMR.

To a solution of 4-pyridinecarboxyaldehyde (1.07g,10mmol) and allylamine (0.61g,10mmol) in ether (30ml) was added anhydrous sodium carbonate (2.76g). The solution was stirred at r.t. overnight, then sodium carbonate was filtered off. To the reaction mixture, diphenylphosphite (2.34g,10mmol) and triethylamine (1.01g,10mmol) were added with cooling over an ice water bath. It was stirred at r.t. overnight. After removal of the solvent an oily residue was obtained which was chromatographed (1:1 Petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to give 2.85g (65%) as an oil.

# (g) Diphenyl 1-(N-allyl)amino-4-(tert-butyloxycarbonyl)butyl-phospohonate

4-(tert-butyloxycarbonyl)amino-butylaldahyde diethyl acetal (2.91g,10mmol) was dissolved in acetone (20ml) in the presence of 1N hydrogen chloride (1ml) and PPTS (150mg). The reaction mixture was refluxed for 3h. The solvent was removed and the residue was dissolved in chloroform and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). After removal of MgSO<sub>4</sub> the solution was stirred and allylamine (0.61g,10mmol) and anhydrous sodium carbonate (2.76g) were added. The reaction suspension was stirred at r.t. overnight. Then addium carbonate was filtered off. To the solution obtained, diphenylphosphite (2.34g,10mmol) and the triethylamine (1.01g,10mmol) were added. It was stirred at r.t. for 2 days. The residue obtained after evaporation was chromatographed on silica gel (1:1 Petroleum/ethyl acetate) to give 200mg as a yellow waxy

solid (5%).

(h) Diphenyl !-amino-4-pyridyl-methyl-phosphonate The N-allyl protected compound (1.0g, 2.3 mmol) was dissolved in ethanol (25ml). To the solution was added 10% Pd/C (300mg) and it was refluxed for 20 hours. The reaction was followed by HPLC, retention time. 10.0min for the product and 12.0min for the starting material. After removal of the solvent the product was obtained by chromatography, 0.51g (56%) as a yellow oil.

The following tripeptides were synthesized according to Scheme 5:

z-D-Phe-Pro-Cpg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>:0.36g(67%)

 $z-D-Phe-Pro-Epg^{P}(OPh)_{2}:0.31g(87%)$ 

z-D-Phe-Pro-Pyg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>:0.41g(35%)

Z-D-Phe-Pro-Dmg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>:0.25g(70%)

Z-D-B-Nal-Pro-Mpg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>:54mg(32%)

H-D-Phe-Pro-Epg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>:126mg(71%)

H-D-Phe-Pro-Dmg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>:85mg(52%).

#### Abbreviations:

Mpg = methoxypropylglycine

Cpg = 4-cyanophenylglycine

Epg = 2-ethylpropylglycine

Pyg = 4-pyridylglycine Dmg = 3,3-dimethylpropylglycine

Nal = naphtylalanine

PPTS = Pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate

# 3. Synthesis of peptide aminoboronic acid inhibitors

(a) (+)-Pinanediol i-brono-R-1-aminobutane boronate hydrochloride

The title compound was prepared as described by D.S. Matteson et al (1984)
in Organometallics, 3, 1284-1288 and in European patent app... 293881A2.

## (b) Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Irg-uPin.HC1

To a solution of Z-D-Dpa-Pro-OH (236mg, 0.5mmol) in THF (5ml) in the presence of triethylapine (7Cml, 0.5mmol) was added isobutyl chloroformate (65ml, 0.5mmol) at -15°C and the solution was stirred at -13°C for 13 min. After the addition of (+) - pinanediol 4-bromo-R-1-aminobutaneboronate hydrochloride (183mg, 0.5mmol) in CHCl3 (3ml) followed by that of Et3N (70ml, 0.5mmol), the reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 2h, and then below 10°C for 2h. THF was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was dissovled in ethyl acetate (50ml), which was washed with 1% NaHCO3, water, 0.2N HCl and water, and then dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Removal of solvent gave an oily product quantitatively. HPLC analysis showed one major peak at the retention time of 22.8 min along with several minor components.

To a solution of the above compound (2/5th of total amount synthesized, 0.2mmol) in ethanol (lml) was added thicures (6lmg, 0.8mmol) under an atmosphere of argon at room temperature. After stirring for 4 days, ethyl acetate (70ml) was added to the reaction mixture, which was washed with 1% NAKCO3, water, 0.2N ECl and then water, and dried over Na2SO4. The residue obtained by removing the solvent was treated with n-hexane to get the product as a powder. Reprecipitation from ethyl acetate with 2:1 mixture of ethyl ether and n-hexane gave a product (98.9mg, 60.6%, two step overall). Retention time on RP-HPLC analysis was 13.5 min under the conditions described at the general procedure. 14 NMR analysis in deuterated chloroform gave a complex pattern because of the existence of proline residue in the molecule, however, the typical signals corresponding to pinanediol were observed as proper ratios.

# 4. Z-D-Phe-Pro-borcMbg-OPin (Cf. Scheme 4)

A solution of pinanediol (dichloremethyl)boronate (lml, 1.2g, 4.6mmol) in THF (7ml) was placed in a septum fitted flask (100ml), and 1,1-dimethylpropane magnesium chloride (4.6ml, 4.6mmol) added dropwise from a dry syringe at 0°C.

The reaction mixture was left stirring under nitrojen at room temperature.

After 7 hours TLC showed mainly one spot [Rf = 0.82, chloroform:pet.ether (1:1)]. The solvent was removed and the residue dissolved in ether (50ml), washed with water (2x10ml), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and filtered.

The ether was removed and the crude product purified on a column of silica gel, eluced with hexage and 10% of chloroform to give the <a href="#chloroboronic"><--chloroboronic</a> ester as a pale yellow oil (0.35g, 40% yield).

The above compound (0.55g, 1.8mmol) in THF (5ml) was added via a double ended needle at -78°C to a solution of lithiumbis(crimethyl-silyl) amide (1.8ml, 1.8mmol) in THF (5ml) under nitrogen. The reaction mixture was kept overnight at 20°C then the solvent was removed. The crude product was dissolved in petroleum ether (40-60°C) (25ml) to precipiate out the inorganic salt (LiCl). The reaction mixture was filtered, cooled to -78°C and dry ethereal HCl, IM (3 equiv, 5.4ml, 5.4mmol) added. The flask was kept in a fridge overnight. Next morning, the reaction mixture was filtered to isolate the hydrochloride (0.41g, 1.29mmol, 72% yield) as a white solid.

Z-D-Phe-Pro-OH (0.45g, 1.1mmol) was dissovled in THF (7ml) and the equivalent of N-methylmorpholine (0.11g, 1.1mmol) added. The solution was cooled to -20°C and one equivalent of isobutylchloroformate (0.149g, 1.1mmol) added dropwise. After 10 min., a solution of the above aminohydrochloride (0.348g, 1.1mmol) dissolved in THF (7ml) was transferred under nitrogen, and triethylamine (0.11g, 1.1mmol) added to the reaction mixture. The reaction mixture was stirred for one hour at -20°C, followed by 2h at room temperature. Insoluble material was removed by filtration, then the solvent removed by

evaporation, and the residue dissolved in ethyl acetate (30ml). The organic layer was washed with 0.2N hydrochloric acid (10ml). 5% aqueous sodium bicarbonate, saturated solution of sodium chloride and water. The organic phase was then dried over anhydrous MgSO4, filtered and the solvent evaporated to give a white solid which was purified on a column of silica gel eluted with light petroleum to give the desired product (0.59g, 81%). The structure was confirmed by 1H NMR and MS.

5. PREPARATION OF Y-BROMO BORONIC ESTERS (Cf. Scheme 6)
All the reactions involving boron used purified anhydrous reagencs.

Reactions were carried out under argon or nitrogen used directly from the cylinder through a glass line.

In a 250 ml reaction flask fitted with a reflux condenser was placed 1-bromo-1-propene (3.63g, 30mmol).

Dibromo borane -membyl sulfide complex in dichloromethane (60ml, 60mmol) was then added to the reaction flask dropwise and the mixture was refluxed under nitrogen for 5h.

The solvent was removed and the reaction mixture washed with water and dried  $(MgSO_4)$ .

A dry round-bottomed flask (100ml) was charged with the bromo boronic acid (0.5g, 3mmol) and pinanediol (0.52g, 3mmol) a magnetic follower and dry ether (20ml), fitted with a septum and flashed with nitrogen.

The reaction mixture was left stirring for two hours until the solid dissolved, the organic phase was washed with water (10ml), separated, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and filtered. The crude product was purified on a column of silica gel (230-400 m2sh), eluted with chloroform (the product was eluted before the pale red ring). The first fraction (100ml) was collected and the solvent evaporated to give 4-bromo boronic ester (0.8g, 88.6%) as a colourless liquid.

# 6. Synthesis of isosteric ketamethylene inhibitors (Cf. Scheme 2)

# (a) Boc-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)-k-GlyCMe (modified Darkin-West reaction)

Boc-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)-OH (0.126g, 0.15mmol) was added to monomethylsuccinyl anhydride (0.259g, 1.0mmol). Et3N (0.042ml, 0.30mmol), DMAP (1.8mg, 0.015mmol) and pyridine (0.12ml) were added, the reaction flask was fitted with a reflux condenser, and the reaction was heated at 45-50°C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1h, then NaHCO3 (5%, 5ml) was added and the stirring was continued for an additional 30min. The product was extracted into ethyl acetate and washed with AcOH (0.1N) and brine. The organic layer was dried (MgSO4), filtered and concentrated to dryness to give an oily residue which was chromstographed on silica gel (grade 9385, 50g). Elution with CHCl3:CH3OH.98:2 gave the product after removal of the solvent as a brown oil (0.134g, 98%). The structure was confirmed as Boc-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)-k-GlyOMe by 1H NMR (250MHz), and by FAB mass spectrometry.

# (b) Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)-k-Gly-pip

A solution of Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)-k-Gly-OMe (0.1g, 0.1mmol) in MeOH (10ml) was cooled to 0°C and NaOH (1N, 0.22ml, 0.22mmol) was added with stirring for 2.5h at room temperature. The solution was neutralized to pH7 and the MeOH was removed under reduced pressure. The aqueous solution was acidified (pH2) and extracted by ethyl acetate and dried (Na2SO4). The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give an oil. To a solution of the oil and HOSu (12mg, 0.1mmol) in dimethoxy ethane (20ml) was added DCC (21mg, 0.1mmol), with

cooling. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20h, and piperidine (17mg, 0.2mmol) was added to the solution with cooling and the solution was stirred at room temperature for a further 3h. The solution was concentrated to dryness and the product was purified by chronatography on silica gel (MeOH:CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 92:2) to give Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)-k-Cly-pip (78mg, 81%). The structure of the product was confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H NMR and FAB mass spectrometry.

In a separate experiment the L-isomer: Z-L-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)-k-Gly-pip, was synthesized by the above procedure in 55% yield.

# (c) H-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg-k-Gly-pip.27FA

Z-D-Dpa-Pro-ArgMtr-k-Gly-p.p (52mg, 0.053mmol) was dissolved in 0.9ml of TFA and 0.1ml of thioanisole at room temperature. After stirring for 4h. TFA was removed at reduced pressure and the residue was triturated with ether. The crystals were collected and washed with ether (51mg of Mtr deprotected product). The crystals were then dissolved in 5ml of methanol and 21mg of 10% Pd/C was added. After 20h. hydrogenation at room temperature the catalyst was removed by filtration and the solvent evaporated. The residue was triturated with ether to give white crystals. 34mg (75%), m.p. 146-151 (dec.). HPLC showed two equally big peaks, from the two forms containing D and L Arg. The structure was confirmed by 1H NMK and FAB mass spectrometry.

In a separate experiment the L-isomer of Z-Dpa-Pro-Arg(Mtr)-k-Gly-pip was deprotected to give H-L-Dpa-Pro-Arg-k-Gly-pip.2TFA in 43% yield.

# 7. Synthesis of peptide aldehydes (Cf. Scheme 8)

# (a) Z(NO2) Arg NCH3 (OCH3)

N,0-dimethylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (1.45g, 14.9mmol) was dissolved in 10ml of DMF, and the solution kept at 0°C. Diisopropylethylamine (1.92g, 14.9mmol) was first added and then Z-(NO<sub>2</sub>)Arg in 10ml of DMF, HOBT (1.92g, 14.2mmol) and WSC.HCL (2.99g, 15.6mmol). After 5h reaction at 0°C the solution was left at room temperature overnight. The solvent was removed at reduced

pressure and 100ml of EtoAc and 25ml of H<sub>2</sub>O were added. The organic phase was diduced with ether and washed with Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.5M), h<sub>2</sub>O, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (0.1M) and H<sub>2</sub>O, then dried and the solvents removed giving 3.66g of product. The water solutions were combined, extracted and treated in the same way as above giving further 1.69g. Totally 5.35g (95%) which was chromatographed. Sephadex LH-2O with 95% ethanol. Yield 4.60g (82%) of homogenous product (TLC in S<sub>1</sub> and S<sub>2</sub>).

# (b) Arg (NO2) -NCH3 (OCH3) . HBr

The above compound was deprotected in HT-/HOAc at room temperature for 45min in the usual manner. The product was homogenous according to TLC in S3, S4 and S5.

# (c) Boc-D, L-Doa-Pro-Arg(1102) -NCH3 (OCH3)

Arg(NO<sub>2</sub>)-NCH<sub>3</sub>(OCH<sub>3</sub>).HBr (4.9g, 13mmol) was dissolved in DMF, the solution cooled to -5°C and Et<sub>3</sub>N added to alkaline reaction. Boc-DL-Dpa-Pro OH (5.5g, 12.5mmol), HO5T (1.7g, 12.5mmol) and WSC (2.8g, 14.5mmol) were added and the reaction mixture stirred for 2h. at -5°C and then stirred at room temperature overnight. The solvent was evaporated at reduced pressure, EtCAc and H<sub>2</sub>O were added, the organic phase separated and extracted with 0.5M NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (3x30ml), NaCl solution (4x2Cml), dried (NaSO<sub>4</sub>) and the solvent removed. Yield 8.3g (97Z) TLC (S<sub>2</sub>) shows one spot. The expected structure of the compound was confirmed with NMR.

# (d) Boc-D, L-Doa-Pro-Arg-NCH3 (OCH3) .HC1

The above compound (2.33g, 3.4mmol) was dissolved in 240ml of MeOH and 3.6ml HCl (1M). The catalyst, 10% Pd/C (0.6g) was added and hydrogenation performed at room temperature for 20h. The catalyst was filtered and the solvent removed at reduced pressure. Remaining 2.3g solid contained some starting material which was removed by ion exchange chromatography on Sepha. x QAE + Cl - with 50% EtOH. Yield 1.74g (76%). TLC (S2 and S3) showed a single spot.

#### (e) Boc-D, L-Dpa-Pro-Arg-H. HCl

The above compound (0.1, 0.74mmol) was dissolved in 40ml of dried (molecular sieve, 4A) THF and the solution was cooled to -4.1 and 3.2ml of DIBAH (1M toluene solution, 3.2mmol) was added dropwing an amosphere. After 3m. 12.8ml of 0.25M citric acid was added. The aluminium salts were centrifuged and washed several times with THF/H2O (4:1). From the combined liquid phases THF was removed at reduced pressure and the product extracted with EtOAc. The solvent was removed, the product dissolved in 15ml of 20% HOAc and chromatographed on Sephadex G15 with 20% HOAc as eluent. Yield 172mg (38%). The compound shows a double spot in TLC (S2 and S3) probably showing the two isomeres with D- and L-Dpa, respectively. MMR and MS were in agreement with the expected structure.

# 8. Synthesis of Boc-D, L-Dpa-Pro-ArgCN. HC1

# (a) Z-D, L-Doa-Pro-Arg-NH2.HCL

Arg-NH2.2HCl and Boc-D,L-Dpa-ProOH were coupled in the normal way with MOBT and DCC in DMF. Yield 53%.

### (b) Boc-D, L-Dpa-Pro-ArcCN. HC1

The above tripsptide amide (0.50g, 0.79mmol) and tosylchloride (0.50g, 2.55mmol) were dissolved in 2ml of pyridine at room temperature and stirred for 24h. The pyridine was evaporated at reduced pressure, 5ml of pyridine and 0.5ml of water were then added and stirring continued for 2h. After evaporation at reduced pressure, the residue was triturated with a small amount of water, dissolved in EtOAc, dried (Na2SO4) and chromatographed on Sephadex QAEGC1. The fractions containing the product were evaporated, dissolved in 10% HOAc and freeze dried. Yield:0.33g (68%). [ ox ] p22° , -144° (C=0.5, 50% HOAc). The structure was confirmed with 1H NMR and mass spectroscopy.

# 9. Synthesis of Dba

# (a) Preparation of N-formyl-N, 4, B-tribenzylalanire cyclohexylamide

Bz1-NH<sub>2</sub> 288  $\mu$ 1 (2.64 mmol) and benzyl phenethylketone 592 mg (2.64 mmol) were dissolved in MeOH (5 ml) at rt and the solution was stirred overnight. To the mixture were added formic acid 99.6  $\mu$ 1 (2.64 mmol) and cyclohexylisocyanide 2.8  $\mu$ 1 (2.4 mmol) at rt, which was allowed to react at rt for 2 weeks. Insoluble material in MeOH was collected by filtration and washed with MeOH, other and then n-hexane. The crude product was recrystallized from CHCl<sub>3</sub> with the 2 to 1 mixture of ether and n-hexane. Yield 540 mg (48.2%), NMR in CDCl<sub>3</sub>;  $\delta$ =0.8-1.8 cyclohexyl (11H),  $\delta$ =2.1-4.75 CH<sub>2</sub> (8H),  $\delta$ =5.45-5.55 NH (1H),  $\delta$ =7.0-7.4 phenyl (15H),  $\delta$ =8.25 (main) and 8.4 (minor) formyl (1H).

## (t) Preparation of Bzl-Dba

The fully protected Dba 400 mg (0.85 mmol) was dissolved in 2.5 ml of TFA and 3 ml of 11 N HCl and the solution was kept at 145°C with water-cooled condenser and stirred for 20 h. After removal of TFA, the pH of the solution was adjusted around 7 by addition of 10 N NaOH. Further addition of ether gave a powder which was collected and washed with ether. Yield 124 mg (40.4%).

# 10. Synthesis of Z-u-Phe-Pro-Fgl-H

#### (a) Pgl

Pentylglycine was obtained by the Strecker\* synthesis, using hexanal, in a yield of 31.6% (\*?ogel, Textbook of Practical Organic Chemistry).

#### (b) Z-Pgl

To a solution of pentylglycine (9.5g, 3.5mmol) in a mixture of water (4ml) and THF (4ml) to give a 0.5M solution, in the presence of triethylamine (0.64ml, 1.22eq.) was added 2-OSu (0.963g, 3.86mmol.) at room temperature, solution became clear after 15min. TLC after 2h indicated some starting material and so a further portion of triethylamine (0.2ml) and Z-OSu (200mg) was added. TLC after a further 2h indicated no starting material and so the solution was poured onto water (50ml) and was extracted by CHCl<sub>3</sub>(50ml). The organic phase was washed by HCl (1M, 20ml) and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated to give Z-Pgl (1.18g) as a gummy solid, which was recrystallised (DCM/Petroleum ether bp60-80°C) to a white crystalline solid (0.8g). Structure was confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H Nmr.

## (c) Z-Pgl-NMe(OMe)

To a solution of hydroxylamine (184mg, 1.05eq.) was added DIPEA (0.33ml, 1.05eq.), and after 5min a solution of Z-Pgl (0.5g, 1.8mmol) then HOBT (0.242mg, 1 eq.). The solution was cooled to -15°C and a solution of WSCI.HCl (0 378mg,1.1eq.) was added. The solution was maintained at -15°C for 30min. then allowed to warm to room temperature and pH adjusted to ~pH4 by addition of acetic acid. TLC after 16h shows little

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starting material and so the colution was poured onto NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (100ml) and extracted by Et<sub>2</sub>O (50ml). The Et<sub>2</sub>O phase was washed by NaCl (20ml). The aqueous phase was washed by Et<sub>2</sub>O, the organic phases were combined and then concentrated to give Z-PglNMe(OMe) (324mg). Structure confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H Nmr and mass spec.

#### (d) PglNMe(OMe)

To a solution of Z-PglNMe'OMe) (324mg) in MeOH (10ml) was applied a vacuum, then argon. Purging was repeated twice, but on the third time Pd/C (~0.5g) was added. Purging was repeated twice more and on the third time the vacuum was quenched by bubbling Hydrogen through the solution. AcOH (0.5ml) was then added. After 90min TLC indicated no starting material and so the solution was filtered (celite), washing with a large volume of MeCH, and concentrated to give PglNMe(OMe)(380mg), as a gum. Structure was confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H Nmr.

#### (e) Z-D-PheProPglNMe(OMe)

To a solution of Z-D-PhePro (0.187mg, leq.) in DMF (2ml) was added DIPEA (0.084ml, leq.) and PyBOP (0.25mg, leq.), with stirring under argon. After 10min a solution of PglNMe(OMe) (0.09mg, 0.479mmol), in DMF (1mi), was added. After 90min TLC indicated no starting material and so the solution was poured onto HCl (1N, 50ml) and extracted by Et<sub>2</sub>O (50ml). The Et<sub>2</sub>O layer was washed by NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50ml, 1.2N) and NaCl (sat'd, 20ml) and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Repeated chromatography on silica gel (Merck 9385), eluting with CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH gave Z-D-Phe-Pro-PglNMe(OMe) (200mg). Fab Ms shows 567 (10%, M+H),

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and 589 (100%, M+Na) as required, the structure was also confirmed by  $^1{\rm H}$  Nmr.

#### (f) Z-D-Phe-Pro-Pgl-H

To a solution of Z-D-PheProPglNMe(OMe) (33mg) in THF (2ml) at - 40°C was added Di-isobutylaluminium hydride (1N. 0.155ml, 2.5eq.), under argon. The colution was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 18h. TLC showed no starting material and so was quenched by H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (1N, 0.5ml) and stirred for 10min. The aqueous phase was then extracted by EtOAc (20ml). the organic phase was dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated to give Z-D-PheProPgl-H (31mg). The structure was confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H Nmr and mass spectrum, and the compound was sent for biological testing, as compound number 33.

#### 11. Z-L-Val-pNa

4-nitroaniline (67.5g,0.48mol) was dissolved in pyridine (dried over 4A sieves,750ml), and the solution was cooled down with ice. PCl<sub>3</sub> (34.3g, 0.25mol) was dissolved in pyridine (350ml) and added dropwise to the nitroaniline solution. The solution was allowed to stand for 30 min. at room temperature. To the solution was added a solution of ZZVal-OH (112g,0.44mol) in pyridine (250ml). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 week, then the pyridine was removed on a rotavapor. The residue was treated with NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (2%). The product crystallized and was filtered and washed with water. The product was dissolved in boiling EtOH (2000ml, 95%) and the hot solution was filtered and left to stand overnight at room temperature. The crystals were filtered giving Z-L-Val-pNA (115.9g, 71.6%).

#### 12. (a) Boc-Dpa

Boc-Dpa was obtained in an analogous manner to the procedure of Examples 1(a) and (b).

(b) Boc-Dpa-Fip-Arg-pNA (Cf. Scheme 7)

To a solution of Boc-Dpa.HCl (150mg, 0.396mmol) in DMF(5ml) was added TBTU (133.5mg, 0.416mmol, 1.05eq.) and DIPEA (0.069ml, 0.396mmol, leq.), to give a solution of basic pH. PipArgpNA.TFA (238mg, 0.396munol, leq.), was then added. pH of the solution was acidic so a further portion of DIPEA (0.05ml) was added. After stirring for 16h, TLC showed a little starting material and so a further portion of DIPEA was added (0.034ml, 0.5eg.'. TLC after a further 3h showed no starting material and so the solution was poured onto EtOAc (50ml) and washed by HCl(0.5N, 200ml), dried (MgSO<sub>A</sub>) and concentrated to give 430mg of gum. Trituration with Et, and petroleum ether (b.p.60-80°C), over 5 minutes, gave a powder which was filtered, avoiding drying in the air, to give a BocDpaPipArgpNA.TFA as a powder, 207mg, 62% yield, Rf 20min on Rp HPLC (pep-5, 35-70% MeCN+0.1%TFA, 25min, lml/min.).

#### (c) Dpa-Pip-Arg-pNA

To solid BocDpaPipArgpNA (10Cmg, 0.119mmol), was added TFA (2ml), with cooling in an ice bath for 10min. The ice bath was then removed and the solution stirred for a further 10 min. TLC indicated no starting material, so the solution was concentrated under vacuum (oil pump). Washing with Et<sub>2</sub>O(150ml), until the filtrate was neutral pH, gave a powder dried under vacuum to DpaPipArgpNA.2TFA, 92LmJ, (90%), as a powder, of retention time (15.5min on Rp HPLC pep-s, 4x250mm, 35-70% MeCN +0.1% TFA).

## (d) Boc-D-Nal-Pip-Arg-pNA

To a solution of Boc- -D-Nal(150mg, 0.474mmol) in DMF (5ml) was added TBTU (164mg, 0.51mmol, 1.05eq.) and DITEA (0.083ml, 0.474mmol, 1 eq.). PipArgpNA.TFA (285mg, 0.474mmol, 1 eq.) was then added. After 30 min TLC, using the Sakaguchi reagent(8-hydroxyquinoline, Br<sub>2</sub>, NaOH), indicated mainly starting material, and so DIPEA (0.083ml, leq.) was added. After 30min. TLC indicated mainly starting material and so the reaction was diluted by EtOAc (50ml) and washed by HCl (0.5N, 100ml). The organic phase was dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated to give an cil (490mg). Recrystallisation from CHCl<sub>3</sub>/petroleum ether bp 60-80°C/Et<sub>2</sub>O gave 90mg, 20.1% yield, of Boc-Dpa-PipArgpNA.TFA as a powder.

#### (e) H-D-NalPipArgpNA.2TFA

To solid Boc- -D-NalPipArgpNA.TFA (50mg, 0.055mmol), cooled in an ice bath, was added TFA (2ml), with stirring. After 10min the ice bath was removed. TLC after 30 min still showed some starting material and so solution was stirred for a further 10 min, then concentrated (oil pump). Trituration with Et<sub>2</sub>O have a powder. The powder was washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O, until the eluant was neutral, dried overnight at room temperature to give H-D-NalPipArgpNA as a powder, 42mg, 92% yield. Retention time 11.5min on Rp HPLC.

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Example 13
The following compounds were prepared by the route substantially as
outlined in Examples 2a to Ze:
                                          Yield
                                                        Physical data to
                                                        confirm structure
    Buc-D, L-Dpa-Pro-Pq1P(OH)
                                         96%
                                                     Nmr, Ms.
    D, L-Dpa-Pro-PglP(OH)2
16
17 Z-D-Dpa-Pro-PglP(OPh)2
     D-Dpa-Pro-PglP(OH)
                                         92€
                                               Nmr, FAEMs[M+H]502, m.p.130-133.
19 Z-D-Phe-Pro-Pgl<sup>2</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
20 D-Phe-Pro-PglP(OPh)2
                                         35% Nmr, FABMs.
21 D-Phe-Pro-Pgl<sup>P</sup>(OH)<sub>2</sub>
23 D-Dpa-Pro-Pgl<sup>P</sup>(OPh),
32 H-D-Dpa-Pro-Mpg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
                                               H, 31 PNmr, HPLC.
40 H-D-Phe-Pro-Mpg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
                                                HPLC.
55 H-D-Phe-Pro-Apg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
                                                HPLC.
56 H-D-Phe-Pro-Epg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
                                         718
57 H-D-Phe-Pro-DPg<sup>P</sup>(OPh)
                                          52% Nmr.
Example 14
 The following compounds were synthesised according substantially to
 Examples 2a to 2d:
      Z-D-Phe-Pro-Epg<sub>P</sub>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
                                          87%
      Z-D-Phe-Pro-Cpg<sub>P</sub>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
Z-D-Phe-Pro-Pyg'(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
Z-D-B-Nal-Pro-Mpg'(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
                                          57%
                                          35₺
 Example 15
 The following compound was synthesised according to Examples 2a and
 2b:<sub>P</sub>(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
 Example 16
 The following compounds were synthesised according substantially to
 Example 2f:
      D-Phe-Pro-Pygp(OPh)
      D-Phe-Pro-Aeg<sub>p</sub>(Boc)(OPh)<sub>2</sub>
D-Phe-Pro-Npg (OPh)<sub>2</sub>
 Example 17
 The following compounds were synthesised according substantially to
 Examples 6a to 6c:
      D, L-Dpa-Pro-Arg--k--Gly-Pip
                                                       Nmr, FABMs, m.p. 110-114.
                                              81.2%
      D-Phe-Pro-Gpa--k--Gly-Pip
                                                       Nmr, FABMs, m.p. 146-151.
                                              74.5%
      D-Dpa-Pro-Arg--k--Gly-Pip
 7
                                              42.7%
                                                       Nmr, FABMs, m. . 136-140.
      L-Dpa-Pro-Arg--k--Gly-Pip
                                                       Nmr, FABMs.
 8
      D-Fq1-Pro-Arg--k--Gly-Pip
                                              81.3%
                                                       Nmr, FABMs, m.p. 123-127.
                                              813
      D. L-K-Nal-Pro-Arg--k--Gly-Pip
                                                              FABMs.
      D, L-B-Nal-Pro-Arg--k--Gly-Pip
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Example 22

FABMs. 54 D-8-Nai-Pro-Arg--k-- 'y-Pip

Example 18 The following compounds were synthesised according substantially to Example 10: 99.0% Nmr, TabMs[M+H]508,7% 23 Z-D-Phe-Pro-Pgl-H quantitative Nmr, FabMs[M+H]584,35% .48 Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Pgl-H Nmr. FabMs[M+H]484 908 53 Boc-D-Phe-Pro-His-H

Z-N-Me-Phe-Pro-Pgl-NMe(OMe)

Example 19 The following compounds were synthesised according substantially to Example 11: 90.6% Nmr 34 H-D-B-Nal-Pip-Arg-pNA Nmr 35 H-D, L-Dpa-Pip-Arg-pNA 818 H-D-Phe-Pro-Phe-pNA

Example 20 The following compounds were synthesised according substantially to Example 4: Nmr 22 Z-D-Phe-Pro-BoroMbg-OFin 68.6% Nmr 41 Z-D-Phe-Pro-BoroPhe-OPinac 90% Nmr Z-D-Phe-Pro-BoroMbg-OPin

Example 21 The following compounds were synthesised according substantially to Example 3a: Nmr 428 Z-D-Phe-Pro-BoroAcet-OPinac 41.5% Nmr Z-D-Phe-Pro-BoroPgl-OPinac Z-D-Dpa-Pro-BoroMpg-OPin

Nmr 43 Z-D-Phe-Pro-BoroOct-OPinac Nmr quantitative Z-D-Dpa-Pro-BoroMpg-OPin

The following compounds were synthesised according substantially to Examples 3a and 3b: Nmr, FABMs[M]780,13%. 12 Z-D-Dpa-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin 61% Nmr, FABMs[M+H]755,10%. 41.8% 26 Z-D-B-Nal-Pro-Bcroirg-OPin Nmr, FABMs[M+H]778,11%. 498 36 Z-D-Fgl-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin Nmr, FABMs[M+H]689,14%. 8.1% 37 Ac-D-Dpa-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin Nmr, FABMs[M+H]781,12%. 398 38 Z-L-Dpa-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin Nmr, FABMs[M+H]711,10%. 418 46 Z-D-Cha-Pro-BoroIrg-OPin

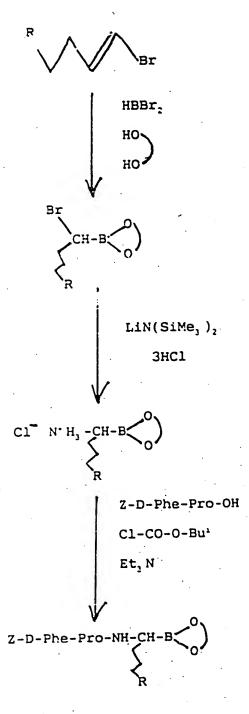
Scheme 1. Synthesis of the amino acids Dpa, Nal and Fgl and their di- and tripeptides with Pro and Pro-Ara

G + guanidin.

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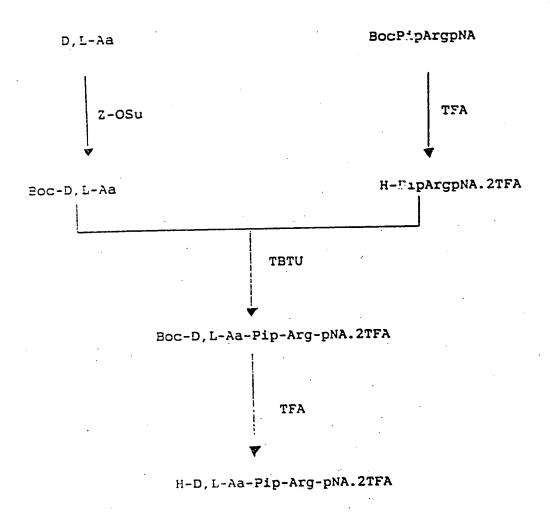
Scheme 4

SCHEME 5



Scheme 6

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Scheme 7

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#### Plasma thrombin time (TT)

A volume of 150ul of citrated normal human plasms and 20ul of buffer or nample were warmed at 37 3 for 1 min. Coagulation was started by adding 150ul of freshly prepared bovine thrombin (5NIHu/ml saline) and the coagulation time was recorded on a coagulometer.

A phosphate buffer, pH7.8, containing 0.1% bovine serum albumine and 0.02% sodium azide was used. The samples were dissolved in DMSO and diluted with the buffer. When no inhibitor was used DMSO was added to the buffer to the same concentration as that used in the samples. The inhibitor concentrations were plotted against the thrombin times in a semilogarithmic graph from which the inhibitor concentration that caused a doubling (40 sec) of the thrombin time was determined.

#### Determination of Ki

The inhibition of human &-thrombin was determined by the inhibition of the enzyme catalyzed hydrolysis of three different concentrations of the chromogenic susbtrate S-2238.

200µl of sample or buffer and 50µl of S-2235 were incubated at 37°C for 1 min and 50µl of human x-thrombin (0.25 NIHu/ml) was added. The initial rate of inhibited and unimbibited reactions were recorded at 405nm. The increase in optical density was plotted according to the method of Lineweaver and Burke. The Km and apparent Km were determined and Ki was calculated using the relationship:

#### Cardiovascular effects

Cats weighing 2-3kg were anaesthetized with Mebumal, given as an intraperitnoeal injection. The central blood pressure and heart rate were recorded on a Grass Polygraph by means of a catheter inserted in the femoral artery.

#### DETERMINATION OF km

The km of substitutes with human & thrombin were determined by measuring the absorbance at a series of dilutions of substrate. (page 753, Longman Scientific & Technical, 5th edition, 1939.)

# DETERMINATION OF ACTIVATED PARTIAL THROMBOPLASTIN TIME (APTT) FOR IN-VITRO SAMPLES

A volume of 150µl of citrated (3.2%) normal human plasma was incubated at 37°C with sample (20µl) or buffer (20µl, control) for 1 min. To the solution was added reconstituted "AUTOMATED APTT" (available from Organon Teknika, 0.1ml). Each solution was activated at 37°C for 5 min.

After activation, calcium chloride (9.1ml, 0.025M, prewarmed at 37°C) was added and clot detection was timed using a "semiautomated coagulometer" (Nach, Schnicter und Gross).

#### IN-VIVO TOXICITY DATA

Deposition of ::: indium-labelled platelets was monitored after lmg/kg intravenous doses, via a cannula in the marginal ear vein of New Zealand white rabbits, as outlined in G.R.May, C.M.Hero, K.D.BUTLER, C.P.PAGE, JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGICAL METHODS, 24,ppl-35, 1990. Peripheral blood pressure was monitored by a pressure sensor in the carotid artery.

#### EX-VIVO APTT, TT

Data was obtained as for <u>in-vitro</u> tests, but using plasma samples obtained at 0,1,10,30 and 60 minutes after dosing of <u>img/kg</u>, i.v. bolus injection in a marginal ear vein in New Zealand white rabbits, which were anaesthetized from a canula in the carotid artery.

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to. 20 H-O-lhelio Aglacth).	Nove	N0N2	NONE	
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#### CLAIMS

1. A peptide derived from the formula

D-Phe-Pro-Arg

or its analogues, wherein Phe is substituted by:

H<sub>2</sub> N-C-COOH,

L<sub>1</sub> L<sub>2</sub>

wherein

Ar<sub>1</sub> and Ar<sub>2</sub> are the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of phenyl, thienyl, pyridyl, maphthyl, thiomaphthyl, indolyl and saturated group: corresponding to these, optionally substituted by up to three groups selected from  $C_1$ - $C_3$  alkyl and  $C_1$ - $C_3$  alkey,

 $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of  $CH_2$ ,  $CH_2-CH_2$ ,  $O-CH_2$ ,  $S-CH_2$ ,

Ar-L taken together L means H, diphenyl-methyl, fluorenyl or saturated groups corresponding to these, but one of the Ai-L cannot be H when the other Ar-L means H or benzyl.

- 2. A peptide according to claim 1, wherein Fhe is substituted by Dpa, Nal or Dba.
- 3. A peptide according to claim 1, wherein Arg is substituted by H\_N-CH-COOH,

wherein

- Y =  $[CH_2]_n$ -Q,  $CH_2$ -Q where Q = H, amino, amidino, imidazole, guanidino or isothicureido and n = 1-5, preferably 3-5, or  $C_3$ - $C_9$  alkyl and  $C_5$ - $C_{10}$  aryl or alkylaryl optionally substituted by up to three groups selected from hydroxy and  $C_1$ - $C_1$  alkoxy.
- 4. A peptide according to claim 3, wherein Arg is substituted by Irg, Gpa, Apa or a non-basic amino acid.
- 5. A peptide according to claim 4, wherein the non-basic amino acid is selected from Tgl, Mbg and Chg.

6. A peptide of the formula X-Aa, -Aa, -NII-CH-Z.

wherein

I = H, CH3 or an N-protecting group, e.g. Ac, Bz,Chz,Boc;

 $Y = [CH_2]_n - Q$ ,  $CH_2 \longrightarrow Q$  where Q = H, amino, amidino, imidazole, quanidino or isothioureido and n = 1-5, preferably 3-5, or  $C_3 - C_9$  alkyl and  $C_5 - C_{10}$  aryl or alkylaryl optionally substituted by up to three groups selected from hydroxy and  $C_1 - C_4$  alkoxy;

$$z = cn, cos_1, B$$

or

 $R_2$ 

or

 $R_3$ 

or

 $R_5$ 

where

 $R_1 = R$ ,  $CH_2$ C1,  $CH_2$ - $CH_2$ -CO-pip,  $CF_2$ - $CF_2$ -CO-pip,  $CH_2$ - $CH_2$ - $CH_3$   $CF_3$   $CF_3$ 

CH2-CH2-OD-Pro-NEEL, CF2-CF2-OD-Pro-NEEL or a chromophoric group e.g. pNA, MCA,

R2 and R3 are the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of OE, OR6 and NR6R7, or R2 and R3 taken together represent the residue of a diol; where R6 and R7, which are the same or different, are C1-C10 alkyl, phenyl or C6-C10 arylalkyl,

E4 and R5 are the same or different and are selected from R2, R3, Gly-pip, Ala-pip or Gly-Pro-NHEt;

$$Ar_1-L_1$$

$$C(NR_2)-COOR$$

where

Ar<sub>1</sub> and Ar<sub>2</sub> are the same or different ar<sub>2</sub> are selected from the group consisting of phenyl, thionyl, pyridyl, naphthyl, thionaphthyl, indolyl and saturated groups corresponding to these, opticially substituted by up to three groups selected from  $C_1$ - $C_3$  alkyl and  $C_1$ - $C_3$  alkey,

L1 and L2 are the same or different and are selected from the group

consisting of CH2, CH2-CH2, 0-CH2, S-CH2,

Ar-L taken together; merusH. diphenyl-wethyl, fluorenyl or saturated groups corresponding to these, but one of the Ar-L cannot is it when the other Ar-L means H or benzyl;

derivatives, where R8 = CH2, CH2-CH2, S-CH2, S-C(CH3)2 or CH2-CH2-CH2.

7. A peptide according to claim 6 which is selected from the following:

Ac-D-SNal-Pro-boroArg pinanediol ester

Z-D-Dpa-Pro-borolrg pinauediol ester

Z-D-Dpa-Pro-boroPgl pinacol ester

Ac-D-BNal-Pro-boroMbg pinanedial ester

CE3-D-Dpa-Fro-Arg-E

Boc-D-Dpa-Pro-Gpa-H

CH3-D-Dpa-Thi-Mbx-H

H-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg-k-Gly-pip

Z-D-Dpa-Pro-Arg-CH2C1

Boc-D-Dpa-Pro-ArgCN

H-Dpa-Pro-Arg<sup>P</sup> (OPh)<sub>2</sub>

H-D-BNal-Pro-Pgl<sup>P</sup> (OPh)-Gly-pip

H-D-Dpa-Pip-Arg-pNA

H-D-BNal-Pro-Chg-pNA

and the compounds listed in Examples 10 to 22 herein.

- 8. A substrate of thrombin, which is or includes a peptide according to any one of claims 1 to 7.
- 9 An inhibitor of thrombin, which is or includes a peptide according to any one of claims 1 to 7.
- 10. A method of inhibiting thrombin in a mammalian host, comprising administering an effective amount of a peptide according to any one of claims 1 to ?.
- 11. A method according to claim 10, wherein the peptide is administered in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.
- 12. A method according to claim 10, wherein the peptide is administered at a dose of from 0.02 to 15mg/kg of body weight.
- 13. A method according to claim 12, wherein the dose is from 1 to 10mg/kg of body weight.
- 14. A method according to claim 10, wherein the peptide is administered as a single dose or in divided doses or as a sustained release formulation.
- 15. A method according to claim 10, wherein the host is a human host.
- 16. A method of preventing coagulation of mammalian blood, comprising adding thereto an effective amount of a peptide according to any one of claims 1 to 7.
- 17. A method according to claim 16, wherein the amount of peptide added of from 1 to 10mg/litre.
- 18. A method of establishing an extracorporeal blood loop for a patient, comprising administering intravenously from 0.1 to lmg/kg of body weight of a peptide according to any one of claims 1 to 7.

- 19. Use or a peptide according to any one of claims 1 to 7 as an inhibitor or substrate of thrembin.
- 20. Jse of a peptide according to any one of claims 1 to 7 in the preparation of a medicament for the treatment or prevention of thrombosis.
- 21. A pharmaceutical composition for inhibiting thrombin in a mammalian host, comprising a peptide according to any one of claims 1 to 7 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

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